

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill # SB0399		Title: Revise	e CHIP eligibility				
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Primary Sponsor: Kaufmann, Christine		Status: As Int	roduced				
☐ Significant Local Gov Impact	✓ Needs to be inc	luded in HB 2	Technical Concerns				
☐ Included in the Executive Budget	d in the Executive Budget Significant Long-Term Impacts Dedicate			ed Revenue Form Attached			
FISCAL SUMMARY FY 2008 FY 2009 FY 2010 FY 2011							
	Difference	Difference	Difference	Difference			
Expenditures:							
General Fund	\$5,190,082	\$5,537,536	\$5,865,635	\$6,213,397			
Federal Special Revenue	\$18,476,502	\$19,507,854	\$20,663,694	\$21,888,804			
Revenue:							
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Federal Special Revenue	\$18,476,502	\$19,507,854	\$20,663,694	\$21,888,804			
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	(\$5,190,082)	(\$5,537,536)	(\$5,865,635)	(\$6,213,397)			

Description of fiscal impact:

This bill changes the Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) eligibility from up to 150 percent to up to 300 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), potentially increasing the enrollment in the program if adequate state and federal funding is available.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Public Health and Human Services

- 1. CHIP eligibility will be increased from 150 to up to 300 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) effective 7/1/07.
- 2. The current CHIP federal funding level will remain constant with no increase due to this bill or from a reauthorization of the CHIP federal legislation.
- 3. The 2006 number of uninsured Montana children estimated by the University of Montana Bureau of Business and Economic Research is that there are 18,000 uninsured children between 151 percent and 300 percent who would be eligible. Of that figure, it is estimated that 70 percent would enroll in CHIP (18,000 X 70% = 12,600 new enrollees).
- 4. The state funding for the increased enrollment would come from the general fund.
- 5. The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) is based on the following:

- a. Fiscal Year 2008 is 21.93% state / 78.07% federal
- b. Fiscal Year 2009 through 2011 is 22.11% state / 77.89% federal
- 6. Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) will hire 4.00 FTE, pay band 03 Eligibility Assistants at market rate for program eligibility determinations. It is estimated that the personal services will cost \$157,096 in FY 2008, \$157,096 in FY 2009, an increase of 2.5 percent in FY 2010 \$161,023 and an increase of 2.5 percent in FY 2011 \$165,049.
- 7. Operations are affected by the hire of 4.00 FTE resulting in an increase of \$16,788 in FY 2008 (office package \$1,375, and PC, \$1,400, and annual operating costs of \$1,422 for each additional FTE), in FY 2009 \$5,688, an increase of 2.5 percent in FY 2010, \$5,830, and an increase of 2.5 percent in FY 2011, \$5,976.
- 8. Expenditures are affected due to the Third Party Administrative Fee (TPA) per the following table:

	Rate per Enrollee				
TPA Schedule	per month	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
July 2007-Sept 2007	\$5.00	\$189,000			
Oct 2007-June 2008	\$5.20	\$589,680			
July 2008-Sept 2008	\$5.20		\$196,560		
Oct 2008-June 2009	\$5.43		\$615,762		
July 2009-Sept 2009	\$5.43			\$205,254	
Oct 2009-June 2010	\$5.70			\$646,380	
July 2010-Sept 2010	\$5.70				\$215,460
Oct 2010-June 2011	\$5.99				\$679,266
		\$778,680	\$812,322	\$851,634	\$894,726

9. Ependitures are affected due to the claims cost increase for the new enrollees and claims expenditures for dental, vision pharmacy and medical per the following table:

Claims rate Schedule	Rate per Enrollee per month	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
July 2007-Sept 2007	\$143.79	\$5,435,262			
Oct 2007-June 2008	\$152.37	\$17,278,758			
July 2008-Sept 2008	\$152.37		\$5,759,586		
Oct 2008-June 2009	\$161.47		\$18,310,698		
July 2009-Sept 2009	\$161.47			\$6,103,566	
Oct 2009-June 2010	\$171.14			\$19,407,276	
July 2010-Sept 2010	\$171.14				\$6,469,092
Oct 2010-June 2011	\$181.37				\$20,567,358
		\$22,714,020	\$24,070,284	\$25,510,842	\$27,036,450

	FY 2008 Difference	FY 2009 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2010 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2011 <u>Difference</u>			
Fiscal Impact:	<u> </u>	<u>=</u>	<u>= ===================================</u>	<u> </u>			
FTE	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00			
Expenditures:							
Personal Services	\$157,096	\$157,096	\$161,023	\$165,049			
Operating Expenses	\$795,468	\$818,010	\$857,464	\$900,702			
Benefits	\$22,714,020	\$24,070,284	\$25,510,842	\$27,036,450			
TOTAL Expenditures	\$23,666,584	\$25,045,390	\$26,529,329	\$28,102,201			
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Funding of Expenditures:							
General Fund (01)	\$5,190,082	\$5,537,536	\$5,865,635	\$6,213,397			
Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$18,476,502	\$19,507,854	\$20,663,694	\$21,888,804			
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$23,666,584	\$25,045,390	\$26,529,329	\$28,102,201			
Revenues:							
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Federal Special Revenue (03)	\$0	\$0 \$0	\$0	\$0 \$0			
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
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Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):							
General Fund (01)	(\$5,190,082)	(\$5,537,536)	(\$5,865,635)	(\$6,213,397)			
Federal Special Revenue (03)	(\$18,476,502)		(\$20,663,694)	(\$21,888,804)			

Technical Notes:

- 1. The Federal Administrative Cap of 10 percent would not be exceeded with the 300 percent of the FPL.
- 2. The CHIP program is scheduled for federal re-authorization during federal fiscal year 2007, it is not known at this time what the grant allocations will be to each state.
- 3. The current federal grant allocation is not sufficient to sustain current CHIP enrollment beyond federal fiscal year 2009.
- 4. It is assumed that 53-4-1004, section 1 paragraph 4, refers to the sufficient available funds of both general and federal funds.
- 5. Without an appropriation in HB 2 or in another bill, DPHHS would not be mandated to incur this cost or increase to this eligibility level. Statute states that the department "may lower the percentage of the federal poverty level established in subsection (1)(b) in order to reduce the number of persons who may be eligible to participate or may limit the amount, scope, or duration of specific services provided".
- 6. The department was unable to receive census-based data for the number of uninsured children between 251% and 300% of FPL who would seek CHIP coverage, so for this fiscal note the department is using data from the University of Montana Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date